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A SCIENCE LIBRARY FOR WEST VIRGINIA HIGH SCHOOLS

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This list of books and periodicals represents an attempt to develop a basic science collection for West Virginia High Schools. The list was compiled as the main project of a graduate-level class in Library Science offered during the 1958 Summer Session at West Virginia University. The author served as instructor.

Why develop yet another list of science books? Members of the class were well aware that there were already a number of guides to book selection in this area. The Standard Catalog for High School Libraries and the Books of the Traveling High School Science Library (Published by the American Association for the Advancement of Science) are perhaps the best known. However, the class felt strongly that these lists did not meet the needs of the schools in which they served. Many of the titles recommended seemed far too elementary. It should be remembered that many high school boys these days have a surprising knowledge--often far superior to that of their teachers--of electricity, aviation, automobile engines and the like. Some are even blowing themselves up building rockets. Other titles recommended appeared, upon actual inspection, to be either too difficult or too old.

The purpose of the course was to develop a high school library which could be purchased for a sum that the average West Virginia High School might have some realistic hope of obtaining. It was finally decided that $500 would be allocated for the basic book collection and that an additional $100 would be devoted to periodicals. This last sum may seem high. However, it must be stressed that science moves rapidly; today's Truth is tomorrow's quaint notion. Periodicals provide the best and in the long run the cheapest method of keeping abreast of current developments. It was agreed that at least the more important periodicals should be bound and preserved for from five to ten years. Many librarians may find space as much a factor as money in limiting the number of periodicals that can be bound and retained.

It will be obvious from the following list that some of the periodical titles were selected primarily for the teachers. This seemed to the class a proper--and indeed vital--expenditure of funds. Such titles as the American Biology Teacher and the American Journal of Physics enable teachers to keep up with new developments in these rapidly changing fields. The other periodical titles were chosen with great care. General interest, reliability, cost and inclusion in Readers Guide were some of the factors considered.

Care has been taken to provide at least one in-print title in each major area. Particular emphasis was placed on Biography and the History of Science. Such books provide an excellent introduction to the field. They are also less likely to become quickly out-dated. Although 1940 texts in Physics or Chemistry are almost worthless, biographies of a great physicist or chemist written in the same year may still be the best things in the field.

This list--like all lists--should not be followed mechanically. Members of the class stressed books which seemed to best fit the known interests of their schools. A number of titles (including one periodical) on coal mining have been included because the compilers came from coal mining areas. The librarian of a school in an agricultural area would certainly wish to stress agriculture rather than mining. Other additions and deletions will be suggested by the requirements of the local scene.

No attempt has been made to calculate discounts. Thus the list prices of the books total more than $500. Discounts will bring the total below the $500 allocated.

Members of the class who devoted full time to this compilation are listed below. Their sustained interest and hard work made the project possible.

Mrs. Wretha Simms, Librarian
Centerville Borough (Washington County, Pennsylvania)
Junior-Senior School

Mrs. Maxine Vanscyoc
Waynesburg Public Schools

Mrs. Mabel C. Wilson, Librarian
Farmington (Marion County) High School

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PERIODICALS

American Biology Teacher	$3.75
American Journal of Physics	7.50
Audubon Magazine	3.00
Coal Age	3.00
Farm Journal	2.00

Field and Stream	3.00
Flying	4.00
Hobbies	3.50
Journal of School Health	4.00
Mechanix Illustrated	3.00
National Geographic Magazine	6.50
Nature Magazine	5.00
Popular Mechanics	5.00
Popular Photography	4.00
Popular Science	3.40
Radio and Television News	4.00
School Science and Mathematics	4.50
Science Digest	3.50
Science Education	5.00
Science News Letter	5.50
Science Teacher	3.00
Scientific American	5.00
Today's Health	3.00
TOTAL	$94.15

BOOKS

All titles below are listed in PTLA as being in print
Library of Congress Card numbers are given.
Wilson cards are also available for the vast majority.

AGRICULTURE

Floherty, John Joseph. FORREST RANGER. Lippincott, 1956. $2.75. 56-9267.

Sears, Paul B. DESERTS ON THE MARCH. University of Oklahoma Press, 1947. $2.75. 47-27585.

U. S. Government Printing Office. AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS 1957. $1.75

ANATOMY

Ravielli, Anthony. WONDERS OF THE HUMAN BODY. Viking, 1954. $2.50. 54-30134.

Sproul, Edith E. THE SCIENCE BOOK OF THE HUMAN BODY. Franklin, Watts, Inc., 1955. $4.95. 55-5410.

ANTHROPOLOGY

Edel, May. STORY OF OUR ANCESTORS. Little, 1955. $3.00. 55-8097.

Edel, May. STORY OF PEOPLE. Little, 1953. $3.00. 52-5786.

Linton, Ralph. MAN'S WAY FROM CAVE TO SKY SCRAPER. Harper, 1947. $2.50. 47-31180.

ARCHAEOLOGY

Jessup, Ronald F. WONDERFUL WORK OF ARCHEOLOGY. Garden City Books, 1956. $2.95. 56-10765.

Marek, Kurt W. GODS, GRAVES, AND SCHOLARS. Knopf, 1951. $5.75. 51-11081.

ARCHITECTURE

Barren, Faber. NEW HORIZONS IN COLOR. Reinhold Publishing Co., 1955. $10.00. 55-6281.

Townsend, Gilbert and Dazell, J. Ralph. HOW TO PLAN A HOUSE. American Technical Society, 1952. $6.95. 52-10904.

ASTRONOMY

Alter, Dinsmore and Cleminshaw, C. H. PICTORIAL ASTRONOMY. Crowell, 1952. $5.95. 52-7353.

Baker, Robert H. WHEN THE STARS COME OUT. Viking, 1954. $3.50. 54-14274.

Ley, Willy and Von Braun, Wernher. THE EXPLORATION OF MARS. Viking, 1956. $4.95. 56-7596.

ATOMIC SCIENCE

Asinov, Isaac. INSIDE THE ATOM. Abelard-Schuman, Inc., 1956. $2.75. 56-5910.

Dean, Gordon. REPORT ON THE ATOM. Knopf, 1954. $5.00. 53-6849.

Hecht, Selig. EXPLAINING THE ATOM. Viking, 1955. $3.75. 54-10708.

Mann, Martin. PEACETIME USES OF ATOMIC ENERGY. Crowell, 1957. $4.50. 56-9193.

AVIATION

Ahnstrom, Doris. COMPLETE BOOK OF JETS AND ROCKETS. World, 1957. $4.95. 57-5422.

Bonestell, Chesley and Ley, Willy. THE CONQUEST OF SPACE. Viking. $4.95. 49-10790.

Coombs, Charles. ROCKETS, MISSILES, AND MOON. Morrow, 1957. $3.75. 57-8687.

Floherty, John J. AVIATION FROM THE GROUND UP. Lippincott, 1957. $3.00. 57-678.

BIOGRAPHY

Anderson, Erica. WORLD OF ALBERT SCHWEITZER. Harper, 1955. $5.00. 54-12197.

Baker, Rachael. SIGMUND FREUD. Messner, 1952. $2.98. 52-13547.

Beaty, John Yocum. LUTHER BURBANK, PLANT MAGICIAN. Messner, 1943. $2.95. 43-8256.

Blackwell, Elizabeth. RACHEL BAKER, FIRST WOMAN DOCTOR. Messner, 1944. $2.95. SG-44-81.

Burlingame, Roger. HENRY FORD: A GREAT LIFE IN BRIEF. Knopf, 1955. $2.50. 54-5268.

Coe, Douglas. MARCONI, PIONEER OF RADIO. Messner, 1943. $2.95. 43-10048.

Clapesattle, Helen. THE DOCTORS MAYO. University of Minnesota Press, 1954. $4.75. 54-11771.

Curie, Eve. MADAME CURIE. Doubleday, 1949. $5.00. 37-284621.

Dubar, Rene J. LOUIS PASTEUR: FREE LANCE OF SCIENCE. Little, Brown, 1950. $6.00. 50-5543.

Fermi, Laura. ATOMS IN THE FAMILY: MY LIFE WITH ENRICO FERMI. University of Chicago Press, 1954. $4.00. 54-12114.

Gollomb, Joseph. ALBERT SCHWEITZER. Vanguard, 1949. $3.00. 49-48819.

Graham, Shirley. DR. GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER. Messner, 1944. $2.95. 44-40095.

Hylander, Clarence John. ADVENTURES WITH REPTILES: THE STORY OF ROSS ALLEN. Messner, 1951. $2.95. 51-13264.

Kieran, Margaret & John. JOHN JAMES AUDUBON. Random House, 1954. $1.50. 54-6269.

Kugelmass, J. Alvin. J. ROBERT OPPENHEIMER AND THE ATOMIC STORY. Messner, 1953. $2.95. 53-10508.

Levine, Sigmund A. STEINMETZ: MAKER OF LIGHTNING. Dodd, Mead. 1955. $3.00 55-5852.

Levinger, Elma. ALBERT EINSTEIN. Messner, 1949. $2.95. 49-8318.

Levinger, Elma. GALILEO. Messner, 1952. $2.95. 52-13550.

Meadowcraft, William Henry. BOY'S LIFE OF EDISON. Harper, 1921. $2.75. 21-17757.

Moore, Ruth E. CHARLES DARWIN, A GREAT LIFE IN BRIEF. Knopf, 1954. $2.50. 54-7221.

Seton, Ernest Thompson. TRAIL OF AN ARTIST NATURALIST. Scribner's, 1948. $7.50. 52-40198.

Sootin, Harry. ISAAC NEWTON. Messner, 1955. $2.95. 55-9868.

Sootin, Harry. MICHAEL FARADAY: FROM ERRAND BOY TO MASTER PHYSICIST. Messner, 1954. $2.95. 54-6776.

Sloop, Mary T. Martin. MIRACLE IN THE HILLS. McGraw-Hill, 1953. $3.75. 52-13467.

Wood, Laura Newbold. WALTER REED, DOCTOR IN UNIFORM. Messner, 1943. $2.95. 43-8346.

Wood, Laura Newbold. RAYMOND L. DITMAR: HIS EXCITING CAREER WITH REPTILES, ANIMALS AND INSECTS. Messner, 1944. $2.95. 44-8349.

Woodham-Smith, Cecil. LONELY CRUSADER: THE LIFE OF FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE. McGraw-Hill, 1951. $3.25. 51-12704.

Wright, Wilbur & Orville. MIRACLE AT KITTY HAWK. Farrar, Straus, 1951. $6.00. 51-4201.

Yost, Edna. AMERICAN WOMEN OF SCIENCE. Rev. ed. Lippincott, 1955. $3.00. 56-360.

BIOLOGY

Audubon, John James. BIRDS OF AMERICA. Macmillan, 1953. $8.95. 37-28771.

Berrill, N. J. SEX AND THE NATURE OF THINGS. Dodd, Mead & Company, 1953. $3.50. 53-10245.

Bridges, William. WILD ANIMALS OF THE WORLD. Garden City Books, 1948. $3.95. 48-10950.

Burt, William Henry. FIELD GUIDE TO THE MAMMALS. Houghton, 1952. $3.75. 52-8269.

Carson, Rachel L. THE SEA AROUND US. Oxford, 1951. $3.75. 51-10430.

HAMMOND'S NATURE ATALS OF AMERICA, 1958. Hammond Company. $7.50. 52-904.

Palmer, Ralph S. THE MAMMAL GUIDE. Doubleday, 1954. $4.95. 53-8002.

Sanderson, Ivan T. LIVING MAMMALS OF THE WORLD. Hanover House, 1955. $9.95. 55-10515.

BOTANY

Collingwood, George H. KNOWING YOUR TREES. American Forestry Association, 1955. $6.00. 56-2204.

Coulter, Merle C. THE STORY OF THE PLANT KINGDOM. University of Chicago Press, 1935. $3.50. 36-3289.

Fernald, M. L. GRAY'S MANUAL OF BOTANY. 8th ed., 1950. American Book Company.

Platt, Rutherford. THIS GREEN WORLD. Dodd, Mead, 1942. $6.00. 42-50194.

CHEMISTRY

Asimov, Isaac. BUILDING BLOCKS OF THE UNIVERSE. Abelard Schumen, 1957. $3.00 57-5399.

Jaffe, Bernard. CHEMISTRY CREATES A NEW WORLD. Crowell, 1957. $4.50. 57-6569

Morgan, Alfred Powell. FIRST CHEMISTRY BOOK FOR BOYS AND GIRLS. Scribner, 1950. $2.75. 50-10930.

Newton, Friend J. MAN AND THE CHEMICAL ELEMENTS. Charles Scribner, 1953. $6.00. 53-8323.

Sherman, Henry Clapp. CHEMISTRY OF FOOD AND NUTRITION. Macmillan, 1952. $6.50. 52-14775.

Sweezey, Kenneth Malcolm. CHEMISTRY MAGIC. McGraw, 1956. $4.50. 56-10332.

COAL MINING AND MINERS

Cothran, Marion B. BURIED TREASURE; THE STORY OF AMERICA'S COAL. Coward, 1945. $2.00. 45-5242.

Lantz, Herman R. PEOPLE OF COAL TOWN. Columbia, 1958. $5.75. 58-7169.

Mitchell, Lucy S. MY COUNTRY 'TIS OF THEE; THE USE AND ABUSE OF NATURAL RESOURCES. Macmillan, 1940. $4.50. 40-36224.

U. S. Department of the Interior. MINERALS YEARBOOK. (Vol. 2 only). Government Printing Office, 1958. $2.25.

CONSERVATION

AMERICAS' NATURAL RESOURCES. ed. for the Natural Resources Council of America. Ronald, 1957. $3.75. 57-7483.

DENTISTRY

Bremner, M. D. K. THE STORY OF DENTISTRY. (3rd. ed.) Dental Item's of Interest Pub. Com. 1954. $7.50. 55-17010.

ELECTRONICS

Bendick, Jeanne. ELECTRONICS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE. McGraw, 1955. $2.75. 55-6148.

Eaton, J. R. BEGINNING ELECTRICITY. Macmillan, 1952. $6.00. 52-10507.

Morgan, Alfred Powell. FIRST ELECTRICAL BOOK FOR BOYS. Scribner, 1951. $3.50. 51-11114.

Upton, Monroe. ELECTRONICS FOR EVERYONE. Devin-Adair, 1954. $6.00. 54-9298.

ENGINEERING

Altschuler, Walter. CAR OWNERS GUIDE TO CARE AND REPAIR. Tudor, 1957. $3.00. 57-28118.

Benedick, Jeanne. TELEVISION WORKS LIKE THIS. McGraw, 1954. $2.25. 53-12878.

Diebold, John. AUTOMATION. D. Van Nostrand Co., 1952. $3.75. 52-13631.

Meyer, Jerome S. WORLD BOOK OF GREAT INVENTIONS. World Publishing Co., 1956. $3.95. 55-5290.

Smith, H. Shirley. THE WORLDS GREAT BRIDGES. Harper, 1953. $3.50. 54-8993.

EXPLORATION

Cousteau, Jacques, Yves. SILENT WORLD. Harper, 1953. $4.00. 52-5431.

Heyerdahl, Thor. KON-TIKE. Rand McNally, 1950. $4.95. 52-5421.

Mohr, Charles E. & Sloan, Howard N. CELEBRATED AMERICAN CAVES. Rutgers University Press, 1955. $5.00. 55-12228.

FORESTRY

Carhart, Arthur H. TIMBER IN YOUR LIFE. Lippincott Co., 1955. $4.00. 54-6112.

GEOLOGY

Fenton, Carroll Lan and Fenton, Mildred (Adams). THE ROCK BOOK. Doubleday, 1940. $7.50. 40-30728.

Moore, Ruth E. MAN, TIME AND FOSSILS. Knopf, 1953. $5.75. 53-6854.

Reed, William Maxwell. EARTH FOR SAM. Harcourt, 1930. $4.95. 30-2497.

HISTORY OF SCIENCE

Friend, J. N. MAN AND THE CHEMICAL ELEMENTS. Scribner, 1953. $6.00. 53-8323.

Moore, P. THE STORY OF MAN AND THE STARS. Norton, 1955. $3.95. 55-14771.

Moulton and Schifferes. THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF SCIENCE. Doubleday, 1953. $4.50. 52-8332.

PICTORICAL HISTORY OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING. $7.95. 57-14582.

Rapport and Wright. GREAT ADVENTURES IN MEDICINE. Dial, 1952. $6.00. 52-5615.

Seton, E. T. TRIAL OF AN ARTIST NATURALIST. Scribner, 1948. $7.50. 52-40198.

Storch and Teague. FLOUR FOR MAN'S BREAD. University of Minnesota Press, 1952. $7.50. 52-7482.

Taylor, Frank Sherwood. ILLUSTRATED HISTORY OF SCIENCE. Praeger, 1955. $5.00. 55-10589.

Untermeyer, L. MAKERS OF THE MODERN WORLD. Simon & Schuster, 1955. $6.50. 54-12564.

Weeks, M. E. DISCOVERY OF THE ELEMENTS. Journal of Chemical Education, 1956. $3.50. 52-7373.

Wilson, Mitchell A. AMERICAN SCIENCE AND INVENTION. $10.00. 54-9812.

MATHEMATICS

Friend, J. Newton. NUMBERS, FUN AND FACTS. Scribner's Sons, 1954. $2.95. 54-8690.

Hogben, Lancelot Thomas. MATHEMATICS FOR THE MILLIONS. 3d ed. Norton, 1951. $6.95. 51-8025.

Meyer, Jerome S. FUN WITH MATHEMATICS. World Publishing Co., 1952. $2.75. 52-8434.

Ravielli, Anthony. ADVENTURES IN GEOMETRY. Viking, 1957. $3.00. 56-8568.

Reid, Constance. FROM ZERO TO INFINITY. Crowell, 1955. $3.00. 55-9200.

MEDICINE

Clark, Randolph Lee (ed.). THE BOOK OF HEALTH. Elsevier, 1953. $12.50. 53-7247.

de Kriuff, Paul. MEN AGAINST DEATH. Harcourt, 1937. $3.75. 33-4673.

de Kriuff, Paul. MICROBE HUNTERS. Harcourt, 1926. $4.50. 26-5317.

Dodge, Bertha Sanford. STORY OF NURSING. Little, 1954. $3.00. 54-5111.

Fox, Ruth. MILESTONES OF MEDICINE. Random House, 1950. $2.75. 50-12343.

METEROLOGY

Adler, Irving. HURRICANES & TWISTERS. Knopf, 1955. $2.50. 55-8950.

Sloane, Eric. ERIC SLOANE'S WEATHER BOOK. Duell. $3.75. 52-14141.

MINERALOGY

Pough, Frederick Harvey. FIELD GUIDE TO ROCKS & MINERALS. Houghton, 1955. $3.75. 56-480.

Reinfeld, Fred. URANIUM AND OTHER MIRACLE METALS. Sterling, 1955. $3.50. 55-10378.

Sullivan, John W. W. THE STORY OF METALS. Iowa State College Press, 1951. $3.00. 54-5111.

Zim, Herbert Spencer. MINERALS. Harcourt, 1953. $3.75. 43-15150.

PHYSICS

Coleman, James A. RELATIVITY FOR THE LAYMAN. William Frederick Press, 1954. $2.75. 54-8522.

Fraser, Ronald George Juta. ONCE AROUND THE SUN: STORY OF THE INTERNATIONAL GEOPHYSICAL YEAR. Macmillan, 1958. $3.95. 58-6220.

Pollock, Philip. YOUR CAREER IN PHYSICS. Dutton, 1955. $2.75. 55-5361.

ZOOLOGY

Azlerod, Herbert R. and Vorderwinkler, Willia. ENCYCLOPEDIA OF TROPICAL FISHES. Sterling, 1957. $7.95. 57-14081.

Buchsbaum, Ralph Morris. ANIMALS WITHOUT BACKBONES. Revised edition. University of Chicago Press, 1948. $5.50. 48-9508.

Fenton, Carroll Lane. INSECTS AND THEIR WORLD. Day, 1956. $2.95.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY BOOK OF FISHES. National Geographic Society, 1958. $6.50. 52-14581.

Pope, Clifford Hillhouse. REPTILE WORLD. Knopf, 1955. $7.50. 57-6779.

Teale, Edwin Way. GRASSROOT JUNGLES; A BOOK OF INSECTS. Dodd, Mead, 1950. $5.00. 44-5481.

Wallace, George W. AN INTRODUCTION TO ORNITHOLOGY. Macmillan, 1955. $8.00. 55-102.

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NEWS FROM THE FIELD

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

The ST. ALBANS PUBLIC LIBRARY takes the spotlight for their community effort in raising funds for the support of their library for the current year. The sixth annual Town Fair was held on Saturday July 26th. Everyone in the city entered into the carnival spirit which prevailed that day. At the Central School grounds 47 civic clubs entertained the crowd who attended. The clubs volunteered their services so that the city of St. Albans may continue to have a progressive library. This 12 hour program of fun and frolic gave every one in the community an opportunity to support a common interest--The Public Library. Under the sound leadership of Mr. Cyril Reich, Chairman of the library board and originator of the idea, plus the aid of 47 enthusiastic organizations, this annual event is always a successful one. Congratulations to all who took part in the campaign!

ANNIVERSARIES

KANAWHA COUNTY BOARD appointed a committee to prepare for the library's 50th anniversary observance. W.E. Chilton III was named Chairman, and serving with him are J.D.Maurice, Charles Williamson, Roy Bird Cook, and Mrs. Ken Brown.

OHIO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY will observe its centennial in 1959.- Detailed plans of activities will be announced later.

SHINNSTON WOMAN'S CLUB LIBRARY observed its 30th anniversary this past July. It was opened July 17, 1928, and like many other libraries has had a "checkered career," and has survived many changes.

BUDGETS AND FINANCE

BROOKE COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD requested the Brooke County Commissioners for $900 additional funds for the employment of a part-time librarian.

HARDY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY made about $300 on its June 7th House and Garden Tour.

KANAWHA COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY will have a record budget of $299,000 for 1958-59, an increase of $92,000 over that of the past year.

MCDOWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD has proposed that a special levy be included in the August 5th primary election. It would raise $25,000 a year to go toward the operating costs of a bookmobile. (Results have not been obtained.)

MARION COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD has requested the City Board of Directors for an increase in the city's (Fairmont) share of the library budget.

NEW MARTINSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD burned its mortgage to signify that their debt has been paid.

ST. ALBANS LIBRARY BOARD estimated that $3,298.67 was made at the Town Fair for library support next year.

CABELL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY budget approved for 1958-59 was 39% higher than for the current year, an increase from $98,022 to $136,306. The increase came from a transfer of unused funds by the County Court to the School Board. This is but a stopgap to the library's financial problems. Meanwhile the Friends of the Library and the Library Board are preparing legislation to submit to the next legislature. If enacted, the legislation would provide greater financial security for the library.

LIBRARIANS AND TRUSTEES

A. G. Stone and L. Newton Thomas have been nominated as members of the Kanawha County Public Library Board.

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Miss Virginia Ebeling, librarian of Ohio County Public Library, was requested to add her own writings to the documents in the sealed box placed in the cornerstone of the new City-County Building in Wheeling, which was dedicated August 16, 1958.

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Mr. Robert Royce McClarren was appointed librarian of Cabell County Public Library. He assumed his duties in Huntington September 1. Mr. McClarren was born at Delta, Ohio; received his A. B. from Muskingum College and a master's in English from Ohio State University. He has held positions as intern in the New York Public Library reference department; as circulation head and acting-librarian in Oak Park, Illinois, Public Library; and Librarian of the Crawfordsville, Indiana, Public Library. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and the Korean conflict. Robert and Mrs. McClarren are the parents of two young sons.

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Miss Lois Lenski, famous illustrator and author of children's books, was a house guest of Miss Wilma Brown, Kanawha County Public Library's children's librarian, on Sunday, September 14.

READING CLUBS AND STORY-TELLING

Huntington - "Look it Up" and "Reading to Lead." *** New Martinsville - "Tom Sawyer." ** Mary H. Weir Library - "Summer Reading Club." *** Ohio County Public Library - "Around the World". *** St. Albans - "By Rocket to Adventure."

STORY HOURS

Ohio County Public Library --Weekly story hour held on the lawn "Under the Story Umbrella".

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Waitman Barbe Library, Morgantown, a story hour promoted by Mrs. Nelle M. Rider, and under the auspices of the Friends of the Library was held twice a week during August.

Note: Next issue will feature GIFTS and MEMORIAL GIFTS. Please send any material to be included as soon as possible.

COLLEGE LIBRARIES

BETHANY COLLEGE

Robert H. Yockey, formerly librarian of Zanesville, O., Public Library, became librarian at Bethany this summer.

A week after ground was broke for the T.W. Phillips Memorial Library the Kresge Foundation of Detroit, Mich., made a conditional grant of $25,000 to Bethany College for an endowment fund the income from which is to be used for new books. To receive the grant Bethany must raise a matching $25,000 within the year.

WESLEYAN COLLEGE

The library will receive $2000 left by the late Mrs. Florence C. West of Spencer. The money is to equip and maintain the Methodist Historical Room in the library.

GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE

Mr. Charles Patterson is the new librarian. He comes to Glenville from Bimidji (Minnesota) State College, where he was librarian. He is to be assisted by Mr. Hunter Whiting, former English professor at Glenville State College.

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

New staff members are Evelyn M. Kocher, senior catalog librarian and Francis G. Ham, assistant curator of the West Virginia Collection. Miss Kocher is from Radford, Virginia, a graduate of the University of North Carolina, and formerly assistant librarian at Huntington College, Montgomery, Alabama. Mr. Ham comes from Lexington, Ky., where he is a candidate for the doctor of philosophy at the University and served as archival assistant in the library.

The West Virginia Collection began a project of tape recording this summer. The first tape in the series was made by O. D. Lambert, retiring historical records specialist of the Collection. The purpose of the project is to preserve the reminiscences and voices of outstanding West Virginians.

The papers and manuscripts of the late Margaret Prescott Montague are now in the West Virginia Collection. Miss Montague was an outstanding writer of the early years of this century. The mountain culture of West Virginia, her native state, provided the background for her writing. Her patriotic short story, "From England to America," won the O. Henry Memorial Prize as best short story of 1919. She is best known in West Virginia for her creation of the fictional character Tony Beaver and his lumber-jack yarns, which appeared in "Up Eel River".

Bob Munn, University Librarian, is on leave of absence for the first semester. He is completing the course work toward a doctorate at the University of Michigan. Until his

return in February Mike Reynolds, assistant librarian, is Acting Librarian.

MORRIS HARVEY COLLEGE

Frank and Joan Badger have taken a year's leave of absence. Frank is working on his doctorate in the Department of American Civilization at the University of Pennsylvania. Joan, who has been library assistant, is attending library school at Drexel Institute of Technology.

Eloise F. Newlon, assistant librarian, is Acting Librarian during Frank's absence. Mrs. Ida Bullen is working as assistant librarian. Mrs. Bullen, wife of Robert Bullen of the West Virginia Library Commission, is a graduate of Emory University Library School and was reference assistant at Kanawha County Public Library

LIBRARY COMMISSION

A workshop was held at Library Commission headquarters, May 25-26.

Participants were Commission members; Commission professional personnel; Mr. Harold Apel, and Mr. Nicholas Winowich representing W.V.L.A.; and Mr. Wilfred Morin, Library Extension Specialist, Library Services Brance of the United States Office of Education.

A workshop for public library trustees was held at Library Commission headquarters on September 8. Participants were Mr. Perry Emmett O'Brien, Ripley; Mrs. Wilson Anderson, Charleston; Mr. W. F. Dalzell, Moundsville; Mr Sam R. Harshbarger, Milton; and Mrs. Oliver Shurtleff, Fairmont. Miss Virginia Gibson acted as the Library Commission's Consultant for the group and was assisted by Mr. Cecil A. Reid, Jr., who is the Library Commission's Consultant for small libraries.

A demonstration library service started rolling in mid-August in Marshall County. The Library Commission shipped 10,000 books to the county in July, when the county court appropriated funds for the service and appointed the library board: Mrs. Pauline Downs, Miss Irene Rude, Mrs. Alma Lilley, Mr. Herbert Kelley, and Mr. Ister West.

The county librarian for Marshall County is Miss Margaret Swift, a graduate of Peabody Library School. Other staff members are Mrs. Dorothy Randolph, Bookmobile Librarian, and Mr. Alvin Huntsman, Bookmobile Driver.

McDowell County Court did not make an appropriation for a demonstration for that county.

The bookmobile which the Library Commission had lent to McDowell County for exhibit purposes was returned to Library Commission headquarters in July and was exhibited at the Matewan Fair and the Lewisburg State Fair in August. That unit is on exhibit in Fayette County during September. It was previously exhibited for a two-week period in Raleigh County.

Division of headquarters staff and functions were completed in early August when Loan, Order, and Processing Departments moved into the remodeled annex at 1718 Washington Street, East. Consultant and Administrative staff offices were rearranged at 2004 Quarrier Street at the same time.

The appropriation for the 1958-1959 fiscal year for use under the Library Services Act was passed in early August. The appropriation was $6,000,000. West Virginia's allotment is $130,624.

The accompanying chart is a record to date of West Virginia's benefit from the Library Services Act.